THE
# Caledonian Mercury,
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A ſhort Account of all the moſt conſiderable News *Foreign* and *Domeſtic*.

*Edinburgh, Tueſday July* 16, 1723.

*From the Evening Poſt, July* 11.

*Since our laſt arrived one Mail from France, and two from Flanders.*

*Paris, July* 17.

THO' the Cardinal Prime Miniſter enjoys now a good State of Health, his Eminency does not come hither this Week to give Audience to the Foreign Miniſters, neither will he come as long as the King is at Meudon.

*London, July* 11. 'Tis ſaid, That if a Bill be brought in the next Seſſions, for reverſing the Attainder of the late Lord Viſcount Bolingbrook, the ſame will meet with great Oppoſition.

This Day at Noon S. S. Stock was 103, 1 8th. Bank, 118, 3 4ths. India, 134, 1 half. African, 11, 1 4th. York Buildings, 8.

*From the Flying Poſt, July* 11, 1723.

*Rome, June* 26. The Chevalier de St. George is returned from Albano, to ſpend the reſt of the Summer here: Sunday laſt the two Cardinals Albani went to thank him for the Honour he did their Family in ſtanding Godfather to their Nephew; and the Pretender made their Eminencies ſtay and dine with him.

*Florence, June* 26. A Lord is juſt now paſs'd thro' this City in his Way from Rome, who is a very great Favourite of the Pretender's, and is going, as ſome ſay, to France, and as Others, to Spain.

*London, July* 11. Two Rattles of a new Invention (*alias*, a Declar----n and an intended Declar----n) were Yeſterday expos'd again to pleaſe Children.

*From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, July* 11.

*Copenhagen, July* 3. Orders are actually given for Unrigging our Men of War in order to be laid up.

*Lonon, July* 11. The Right Honourable Robert Walpole, Eſq; is expected in Town next Saturday from his Country Seat.

The General Review of the Forces encamped in Hide Park, is put off till the 1ſt of next Month, being the Anniverſary of his Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of theſe Kingdoms. We hear, Camps will be formed near Newbury and Hungerford.

From

*From the Evening Poſt.*

*Stockholm, June* 30. On the 23d Inſtant, the Four States met in a Body, to conſider on the Affair of acknowledging the Title of Emperor, claimed by the Czar, and that of Royal Highneſs to the Duke of Holſtein. The Secret Committee to whom the Examination of that Affair was referr'd, reported, That having examined into that Affair with all poſſible Attention, and weigh'd the Reaſons *Pro* and *Con*, eſpecially thoſe relating to the Demand of the Duke of Holſtein, They found that Demand grounded on ſo many Motives and Reaſons, (which by reaſon of their Nicety, it was not proper to declare in a full Aſſembly) that they can neither diſwade the States nor the King from granting the ſaid Title to the Duke of Holſtein, but if that it ſhould paſs into a Reſolution in that Aſſembly, it might afterwards be refered to the King and Senate, in order to its being treated as a Foreign Affair. This Report occaſioned warm Debates, ſome were for bringing that Matter to a Concluſion immediately, but the Majority of the Nobles oppoſing it, the ſame was adjourn'd to the Day following. The ſame Day, viz. the 24th, the King and Queen wrot ſeparately to the States, expreſſing their Surprize, at the Readineſs ſhewed by them for granting the Title of Royal Highneſs to the D. of Holſtein; their Majeſties declaring at the ſame time, that they can never conſent to it, for Reaſons expreſſed in their Letters, upon which there aroſe a Debate much warmer than thoſe of the preceeding Day, and as they could come to no Reſolution about it, the Aſſembly thought proper to invite the Senate in a Body, to confer with the Secret Committee the Saturday following, and afterwards have their joint Opinion of that Matter reported to the Aſſembly; accordingly the Senate repaired to the Houſe of the Nobles, and having taken the Oath of Secrecy, conferr'd with the Secret Committee without Intermiſſion, from Eight in the Morning to Half an Hour after Eight in the Evening. The States having aſſembled again Yeſterday: The Opinion of the Senate was read to them, importing in Subſtance, that after having maturely weighed and examined the Reaſons *Pro* and *Con*, alledg'd by the ſecret Committe, they cannot ſufficiently applaud the indefatigable Zeal of the ſaid Committee, nor decline in Conſcience, conforming to their Opinion, declaring, That the Title of Royal Highneſs, may without any Prejudice to either the Honour or Power of their Majeſties, be given to the Duke of Holſtein, as alſo that of Emperor to the Czar; and immediately deputed ſome of their Numbers, to go and acquaint the 3 Eſtates with that Reſolution. Two of whom concurr'd with them inſtantly, but that of the Peaſants anſwered they would firſt examine into that Affair: But it ſeems they have at laſt thought fit to come into the ſame Reſolution with the 3 other Eſtates. Whereupon Mr. Beſtuchof, Miniſter of Ruſſia, and Mr. Baſſowitz, Privy Councellor of the Duke of Holſtein, have diſpatched Expreſſes Petersburg, to acquaint their Reſpective Maſters with the Succeſs of that important Affair.

*From the London Gazette.*

*Pyrmont, July* 13. N. S. His Britannick Majeſty continues to take the Waters, which agree with him perfectly well. A great Number of Perſons of Diſtinction reſort hither from all Parts to wait upon his Majeſty. Prince William and Prince George of Heſſe Caſſel are expected here in a Day or two; and 'tis ſaid the Biſhop of Munſter will alſo pay a Viſit to his Majeſty before his Return to Hanover.

*Hague, July* 16. N. S. Baron Sparr, the Swediſh Miniſter ſet out from hence the 14th Inſtant for Hanover. Letters from Stockholm of the 30th paſt adviſe, that the Aſſembly of the States of that Kingdom had paſſed a Reſolution to give the Title of Emperor to the Czar, and that of Royal Highneſs to the Duke of Holſtein.

From

*From the Whitehall Evening Poſt.*

*Paris, July* 11. We are aſſured by Letters from Conſtantinople, that though the Ottoman Court has reſolved to perpetuate a good Correſpondence with that of Ruſſia; yet the Prime Viſier has ſent abundance of Turkiſh Troops to the Frontiers of Perſia, upon a Pretence of re-eſtabliſhing the Peace of that Empire. 'Tis evident that the Turks and Muſcovites, have all along acted under Hand in Concert, waiting for a favourable Opportunity to invade the Roman Empire. 'Tis adviſed from Petersburg, That the 10th of laſt Month was celebrated there with extraordinary Pomp, being the Czar's Birth-day, who then entred into the 52d of his Year Age.

*London, July 9.* There is a Trench cut in Hidepark to prevent Coaches going ſo near the Camp as formerly, which greatly incommoded the Soldiers.

*From the Flying Poſt.*

*London, July 9.* Thurſday laſt the late Lord Bolingbroke dined with the Lord Harcourt, at his new Houſe in St. James's Park; and at the ſame time we hear he preſented his Lordſhips Grandſon (to whom he formerly ſtood Godfather) with a Gold Standiſh of moſt curious Workmanſhip.

Friday Night laſt there were prodigious Rejoicings at Cripplegate, for the Declaration of Sir Richard Hopkins and Mr. Feaſt, to be Sheriffs for the Year enſuing. The Conduit was ſet round with Candles, beſides other Illuminations, Bonfires and Fire-works; and there was a vaſt Number of the Populace, to whom Mr. Feaſt gave ſeveral Barrels of ſtrong Beer, to drink the Healths of his Majeſty, the Prince, the Lord Mayor and Aldermen, and Proſperity to the City of London.

*Continuation of the Biſhop of Rocheſter's Speech.*

My Lords, pardon me, what is not Evidence at Law, can never be made ſo by any Power on Earth for the Law that required the Evidence, is as much the Law of the Land, as that which declares the Crime.

It is equally unjuſt to declare any Proof legal, becauſe of my Proſecution: As it would be extraordinary, to declare the Acts themſelves, *ex poſt facto.*

Never was there a Charge of ſo high a Nature, and ſo weakly prov'd!

A Perſon dead, ſo that there is not an Opportunity to falſify him, by contradicting him, ſupported not by any one Evidence, not by any one Proof of any Thing that hath been writ or received by me, not even by any one criminal Word, prov'd to have been ſpoken by me; but by intercepting Letters and Correſpondence, in which appears not the leaſt Certainty.

Some of thoſe Letters, ſhewn to Perſons, with a Deſign to faſten ſomething on them; others writ in Cyphers, and fictitious Names, throwing out dark and abſtruſe Hints of what Perſons went by thoſe Names, ſometimes true, and ſometimes doubtful, and often falſe, who continue Strangers to the whole Tranſactions, and never make the Diſcovery, 'till he feels and finds it advancing it ſelf towards him. *My Lords*, this is my Caſe in ſhort.

I have a hard Task to prove my Innocence: Shall I ſtand convicted before your Lordſhips on ſuch an Evidence as this? the Hearſay of an Hearſay; a Party dead, and that deny'd what he ſaid; by ſtrange and obſcure Paſſages, and fictitious Names in Letters; by the Conjectures of Decypherers, without any Opportunity given me of examining and looking into the Truth of their Decyphering; by the Depoſitions of Poſt-office Clerks about the Similitude of Hands; their Depoſitions made at diſtant Times, and without comparing any one of the Originals; by a ſtrange Interpretation of them, for nothing more, I am perſwaded, can be made of the Arguments, than what is called the intercepted Correſpondence.

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Shall I, *My Lords*, be depriv'd of all that is dear to me, and, in the Circumſtances I am in, ſcarce able to bear up, and by ſuch an Evidence as would not be admitted in any other Cauſe, or in any other Court.

And ſhall it be received againſt a Biſhop of this Church, and a Member of this Houſe? God forbid. Give me Leave to make Mention of a Text in Holy Writ, *Againſt an Elder receive not an Accuſation, but by Two or Three Witneſſes.* It in not ſaid, *Condemn him not upon an Accuſation, &c.* but, *Receive it not*; and I am ſomething more than an Elder, and ſhall an Accuſation againſt me be countenanced, without any one Inſtance of Proof to ſupport it?

This is not directly Matter of Eccleſiaſtical Conſtitution: There you read, *One Witneſs ſhall not riſe up againſt an Elder*; but here, *At the Mouth of Two Witneſſes, or Three Witneſſes, ſhall the Matter be eſtabliſhed.* And as this Rule was tranſlated in the State of the Church, People always thought fit to follow it.

Shall I be the firſt Biſhop in this Church, condemn'd upon Conjecture, on fictitious Names, and obſcure Paſſages in Letters, in ſtead of *Two or Three Witneſſes?*

Will not others endeavour to make the ſame Precedent, and deſire the ſaid Influence of it to ſucceeding Ages, and even concur in ſuch an Act, in order to render me uncapable of uſing or exerciſing any Power or Authority, *&c.* Is this good Divinity or good Policy?

[ *This Speech ſhall be concluded in our Next.* ]

*WISE's Letter verbatim, London, July 11th.*

*Yeſterday arrived a Mail from France.*

SOME Accounts from Hamburgh ſay, That it was again ſtrongly reported, That the Porte has declared War againſt the Czar, and that General Alland is already near Aſoph, with 40000 Men, to make Head on that Side againſt the Turks. But we ſuſpend our Belief of this, till the Arrival of next Mail.

There is a Letter from Bruſſels, dated 14th Inſtant N. S. adviſing, That the late Biſhop of Rocheſter, has ſent a Perſon, with a Meſſage in Writing, to the E. of Ailsbury, wherein he deſired, That the ſaid Earl would be pleaſed, to let the Marquis de Prie know, That he (the Biſhop) was come to ſettle in Bruſſels, and was about Hiring a Houſe for ſome Time, under Confidence of not being any Way moleſted or diſquieted, during his Reſidence in that Part of the Dominions of his Imperial Majeſty, on whoſe Protection he Relyes. But (as the Letter ſays) the E. of Ailsbury return'd the Paper by the Perſon brought it, bidding him acquaint the late Biſhop, That he deſired to be excuſed from ſeeing him, or meddling in any Manner in his Concerns.

Of the Advices from Paris, we have only to inſert, That on the 14th Inſtant died Mr. Fleury, in the 38 Year of his Age, he was formerly the King's Confeſſor, had been Subpreceptor to the Royal Infants of France, and wrote many excellent Books, particularly that, Intituled, *The Hiſtorical Catechiſm*, and another call'd *The Church Hiſtory*, continued by him to the Council of Conſtance: and on the 16th died ſuddenly, the Mariſhal de Eſtrees, Vice Admiral of France, and Governour of Britanny.

On Tueſday the Reverend Dr. Butler, Preſident of Magdalen's College in Oxford, was married to Ms. Mary Tate, Siſter by the Mother-Side of the Reve. Dr. Sacheverel, a Lady of above 500 l. *per Annum* Fortune. The Biſhop of Gloceſter has a Grant of the Living at St. Peter's Corn-hill for Life.

The higheſt Prize was drawn Yeſterday, and was 40000 *l.* againſt No. 29980.

This Day Mr. Bernard the Shop-keeper at Southampton, came upon the Huſtings, while the Lottery was drawing, and made a Demand of the Commiſſioners of the 1000 *l.* which was allowed.

There was a remarkable Trial yeſterday at ſitting in Guildhall, before the Lord Chief Juſtice King, between Stephen Baron Plantiff, and Stephen Ram of Lombard-ſtreet, Defendant. The Caſe thus, a notorious Buble and Cheat called

led *The Brunſwick Lottery*, being ſet up in Anno 1719, at Waghoms Coffee-houſe near the Royal Exchange, by one Car, who advertiſed, that he would Iſſue out 60000 Tickets, which he pretended he had ſent for from Brunſwick; but in Reality the ſaid Tickets were printed no further off than Tower-hill, by one Mr. Marſh, of which Tickets ſeveral Thouſands were delivered out, and upwards of 13000 L. received by the ſaid Mr. Ram and Steph. Car (the latter run away, and is not heard of) and the Proprietors finding the Cheat, made Demands on Mr. Ram as Principal; who in Defence ſaid, That he had paid Back 10500 *L.* And that this Sum was all that he had received, and that he had paid bank 10500 *L.* and that this Sum was all that he had receiv'd, and that he had acted only as Caſhier to Car; but it being argued by thoſe on the other Side, that Mr. *Ram* was a Perſon of great Credit, and Car of little or none, the Bubble could not be carried on without Aſſiſtance of the Former.

The Jury brought in their Verdict for the Plantiff, whoſe Action was only for 40 Tickets, which amounts to 80 *L.* But we hear there are 70 or 70000 *L.* more in Demand.

This Day was ſold by the Commiſſioners of the forfeited Eſtates and Annuities of 100 *L. per annum* each, on the Life of Charles Radclif Eſq. for 1200 *L.* at the ſame Time was alſo ſold. The Mannour of Tartingham, part of the Eſtate of the Lord Bolinbroke for 1450 *L.*

A Pardon is lately paſs'd the Seals, for the Reverend Mr. Powers a Clergyman, againſt whom the Berkſhire Blacks had lodg'd an Information, but we hear he was a Spy upon them.

Dodington Eſq. is made Comptroller of the Houſhold, in Room of Mr. Methvin, who is made Vice Treaſurer of Ireland, in Room of Sir William St. Quintine deceaſed.

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

*THESE are to give Notice upon the 23d Day of* July *Inſtant, betwixt the Hours of Three and Four in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of* Robert Brown *Vintner, at the* Spread Eagle, *in the* Land-market, *is to be expoſed to a publick Roup, the large Lodging, with a Flower Garden, and ſeveral other large Kitchen Gardens, down to the North* Loch, *with a Stable and Gardner's Houſe, and other Conveniencies which belonged to, and were poſſeſſed by the late Lord* Fountainhall, *a little below the Bowhead Well, North-ſide of the Street. The Conditions of the Roup, and Progreſs of the Rights, are to be ſeen at* John M'Comies *Chamber, in Deacon* Nimmo's *Houſe in* Kinloch's *Cloſe, South-ſide of the Street, oppoſite to* Carruber's *Land.*

*** *Theſe are advertiſing, That the Society for improving in the Knowledge of* Agriculture, *held their firſt Meeting on* Saturday *the 13th of* July *current, and appointed their firſt general Meeting to be on* Saturday *next. being the 30th Inſtant: Therefor, all Noblemen, Gentlemen and others, who are, or deſign to be of that Society, are deſired to meet then either perſonally or by Proxy, at* Gray's *Houſe in* Hope-park *near* Edinburgh, *at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, there being ſeveral Rules of Conſequence to the Society to be ſettled at that Time. This, by order of the ſaid Society, ſigned by* George Handiſide *Writer in* Edinburgh, *their* Secretary.

There is to be Sold by *Patrick Crichton* Saddler, at the *Golden Cock*, a little above the Main Guard in *Edinburgh*, on the North-ſide of the Street:

*SAddles and Furnitures of ſeveral Sorts. Fine* London *Hunting Saddles and Saddle-cloths. Gold and Silver Lace and Fringes: And Velvet for Houzes, Piſtol-bags and Foot-cloths, Houzes and Bags embroidered with Gold and Silver, and Gold and Silver Thread for Embroidery. And Piſtols. Braſs, and Iron, and Japan'd Locks for Chamber-doors, in Suits or ſingle. Cabinet, Cheſt, Preſs and Drawer Locks, of ſeveral Sorts. Fine Braſs and Iron Hinges, of ſeveral Sorts. Braſſes for Coaches. All Sorts of the neweſt Faſhion of Braſs Work, for Cabinets or Drawers. Caſt Iron Boxes for Coach or Cart-wheels. Whips of all Sorts, Spurs, Shot-bags, Gun-hammers and Screws. Fine Gunpowder, Lead Shot and Flint-ſtones. Wig-boxes, Table, Pocket, and Pen-knives, Raſoirs, Knives for cutting of Hay. Braſs Cocks and Braſs Knockers for Doors, and large*

Iron

*Iron Locks for Outter Doors. Swords, and Sword-blades and Belts. Chefs-tables and Men; and Playing Cards. Ink-holders, Foot, 2 Foot, and 3 Foot-rules, and Sliding-rules. Gunter Scales, Cafes for Mathematical Inftruments. Ivory, Boxwood, and Horn Combs, Metal, or Mother of Pearl Buttons for Cloaths, Bells and Handles for Bells, Sealing Wax, Gums of feveral Sorts, Glue, Borax, Spelter, Pumice, Rotten Stone and Emery. Gold and Silver Books, Gold in Shells. Braſs Scales and Weights, and Beams for Scales; Shoe-buckles and Buttons for Sleeves. Buckles for Boots, Silk Strings for Watches and Canes and Silk Purſes. Caſes covered with Shagreen, for holding Knives, Forks and Spoons. All Sorts of Moulds for Candles, Glaſs Arms and Sockets for Sconces, Tops for Coach-horſes; and Jacks. Malt Mills of the beſt Sort, Box Smoothing-irons, Pullies and Cords for Saſh-windows, Screw and náiling Pullies of all Sorts, Tyles for Chamber-chimneys, Punch Laddles and Limon-ſqueezers, Waſh-balls, Taylors and Glovers Sheers, Ruſſia Leather, Red, Black and Brown Sheep-skins. All Sorts of Joyners and Carpenters Tools, Pit Saws, Croſs-cut and Fineering Saws. All Sorts of Shoemakers Tools. All Sorts of Files. All Sorts of Melting Pots, ſtanding Veices, Hand and Barber Veices, Choffin-diſhes. All Sorts of Braſs Nails. All Sorts of* Path-head *Nails, ſold by Wholeſale or Retail. And ſeveral other Sorts of Iron-mongers Goods. All Sorts of Goods for* Saddlers, *and all* Sorts of Saddles *to be Made or Mended.*

†|† *That the Lands and Barony of* Lethom *and Pertinents thereof, with a good convenient Houſe, conſiſting of eleven Rooms, and Office-houſes thereto belonging, with the Yards and Orchards, conſiſting of near five Acres of Ground, not rened, and Incloſures about the ſame; lying three Miles below* Falkirk, *ſix Miles from* Stirling, *and two Miles from* Elphingſtoun, *within the Shire of* Stirling *and Paroch of* Airth: *Paying yearly* 84 *Bolls,* 3 *Firlots,* 2 *Pecks of Bear;* 223 *Bolls of Meal;* 14 *Bolls of Oats,* 21 *Bolls of Beans, and* 60 *Pounds of Money, and a good Number of Kain and Carriages. Are to be expoſed to Sale by voluntar Roup, upon* Tueſday *the* 30 *Day of* July *Inſtant, in the Houſe of* Arthur Reid, *Vintner in* Edinburgh: *Betwixt the Hours of* 3 *and* 4 *Afternoon. The Rental of the Lands, and Conditions of Sale, with the Progreſs of the Writs, are to be ſeen in the Hands of* William Cunningham *of* Bandalloch, *at his Writing-chamber in the* Land-Market.

*By Order of the ordinary Managers of the Friendly-ſociety, in Terms of the original and additional Articles: Theſe are intimating to all the Contributers in the ſaid Society, That on* Monday *the* 22*d.* July *inſtant, at* 4 *a Clock Afternoon, in* Mary's *Chapel in* Niddry's *Wynd* Edinburgh, *there is a General Meeting to be held of the whole Society, in order to the conſidering of certain* Propoſals, *tending to the Advantage and Benefit of the whole and Increaſe of the common Stock, which cannot be agreed to without a general Meeting; and therefor all concerned are deſired to be preſent.*

*** Theſe are to give Notice, that upon the 29th Day of *July* next, in the Houſe of *Arthur Reid*, Vintner in *Edinburgh*, betwixt the Hours of 2 and 4 in the Afternoon, There is to be expoſed to Sale by way of voluntar Roup, the Lands and Barony of *Tinwall*, with the Patronage of the Kirk of *Tinwall*, a large Manſion-houſe, Orchyards, Yards and other Pertinents, holding Blench of the Crown: As alſo the Lands of *Bruntskairth*, holding Feu of the Lord of the Erection. The ſaid Lands have a great deal of young Planting, Meadow, Moſs, a good Stone-quarrie and other Conveniencies, and ly within 3 Miles of *Drumfries*, As alſo the Lodging in the *Covenant-Cloſe* in *Edinburgh*, lately poſſeſt by the deceas'd *William Alves*, Writer to the Signet. The Rental, Articles of Roup and Progreſs of Writes are to be ſeen at the Writing-Chamber of *Andrew Alves*, at *Don's-Cloſe-Head*, oppoſite to the *Luckenbooths*.

*E D I N B U R G H:*
Printed for Mr. *WILLIAM ROLLAND*, by *WILLIAM ADAMS* Jun. *Whoſe Printing-houſe is now remov'd from* Carrubber's *Cloſe, to* Craigforth's *Cloſe, firſt Door of the firſt Turnpike on the Left Hand: Oppoſite to the General Poſt-office, near the Tron-Church; where the* Caledonian Mercury *is to be had for the future.*